

**Amendments to the Claims**

Please amend the claims as shown below.

1. (Withdrawn) An availability control check system, comprising:  
  
a first database storing a revenue budget, the database organized into first nodes each of which stores an individually addressable budget value,  
  
a second database storing revenue postings, the database organized into second nodes each storing an individually addressable aggregation of revenue, and  
  
an AVC ledger comprising control objects, each control object including pointers to select nodes of the first and second databases, and AVC rules for each control object, each AVC rule including a test field identifying a test relationship that is desired to be maintained between addressed values of the first and second database and a response field.
2. (Withdrawn) The availability control check system of claim 1, further comprising an AVC manager to execute AVC rules represented by the control objects of the associated AVC rule sets.
3. (Withdrawn) The availability control check system of claim 1, wherein the control objects further comprise a field representing a filtering condition that must be met to trigger execution of a corresponding AVC rule.
4. (Withdrawn) The availability control check system of claim 1, further comprising additional AVC ledgers, each comprising control objects, each control object including pointers to select nodes of the first and second databases, and AVC rules for each control object, each AVC rule including a test field identifying a test relationship that is desired to be maintained between addressed values of the first and second database and a response field.
5. (Withdrawn) The availability control check system of claim 1, wherein the AVC ledger includes a database storing aggregations of revenue posting values and revenue budget values that are operands to the control objects and the AVC rules therein.
6. (Previously Presented) An enterprise management system, comprising:  
  
a transaction manager to receive new revenue transactions posted by an organization,

an Availability Control (AVC) manager, responsive to a new revenue transaction to execute an AVC rule represented by a control object, the AVC rule causing a comparison of previously-posted revenue of the organization and revenue of the new transaction with a limit to how much revenue may be posted for the control object and, if the comparison fails a relationship defined by the AVC rule, causing the transaction manager to reject the new revenue transaction.

7. (Previously Presented) The enterprise management system of claim 6, further comprising an AVC ledger comprising a database storing control objects and aggregations of revenue postings that are operands to the control objects, the aggregations generated for executing the AVC rule.

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended) An Availability Control ( AVC ) method, comprising:  
responsive to a proposed postings of revenue, determining whether a revenue calculation of any control objects ~~addresses~~ would use the proposed posting in a revenue calculation,

executing AVC rules for each identified control object, the AVC rules testing whether the proposed postings of revenue would exceed revenue limits for the control object, and

if any AVC rule is violated by the posting and if the AVC rule identifies an error as a response thereto, blocking the posting from being admitted.

11. (Previously Presented) The AVC method of claim 10, wherein the executing comprises:  
generating a postings operand from an aggregation of previously-admitted postings values addressed by the control object, and

determining whether the postings operand satisfies a test relationship specified for the control object.

12. (Previously Presented) The AVC method of claim 10, wherein the executing comprises:

generating a postings operand from an aggregation of previously admitted postings values addressed by the control object and from a new revenue posting value, and

determining whether the postings operand satisfies a test relationship specified for the control object.

13. (Original) The AVC method of claim 12, further comprising storing the postings operand in a ledger storage device associated with the control object.

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Original) The AVC method of claim 10, further comprising performing the determining, the executing and, if necessary the blocking for each of a plurality of AVC rule sets in an enterprise management system.

16. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium storing program instructions that, when executed, cause an executing device to:

responsive to a proposed postings of revenue, determine whether the revenue calculation for any control objects ~~addresses~~ would use the proposed posting in a revenue calculation.

execute Availability Control (AVC) rules for each identified control object, the AVC rules testing whether the proposed postings of revenue would exceed revenue limits for the control object, and

if any AVC rule is violated by the posting and if the AVC rule identifies an error as a response thereto, block the posting from being admitted.

17. (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of claim 16, having instructions that further cause the executing device to:

generate a postings operand from an aggregation of previously-admitted postings values addressed by the control object, and

determine whether the postings operand satisfies a test relationship specified for the control object.

18. (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of claim 16, having instructions that further cause the executing device to:

generate a postings operand from an aggregation of previously-admitted postings values addressed by the control object and from a new revenue posting value, and

determine whether the postings operand satisfies a test relationship specified for the control object.

19. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 16, having instructions that further cause the executing device to store the postings operand in a ledger storage device associated with the control object.

20. (Cancelled)

21. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 16, having instructions that further cause the executing device to perform the determination, the execution and, if necessary the blocking for each of a plurality of AVC rule sets in an enterprise management system.

22. (New) A computer system, comprising:

a revenue manager, responsive to a new revenue transaction to execute rules, the rules causing a comparison of previously-posted revenue added to a revenue of the new transaction with a limit to how much revenue may be posted and, if the comparison exceeds a predetermined limit, rejecting the new revenue transaction.